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[From our Extra of Yesterday.]

## Arrival of the Enterprise.

The steamer Enterprise, Capt. Curry, arrived this morning at 9 o'clock from Port Townsend. She brought dates from the Atlantic States up to Oct. 17. Below will be found a brief summary of the news:

TORONTO, Canada, Oct. 12.—In Col. Rankin's case, the magistrate decided that he should be bound over to take his trial in the next assizes which sit next week.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 14.—There is nothing new below. The governing authorities of the rebel camp have had great trouble. Their officers had given offense in various ways, and ex-Secretary Floyd and ex-Gov. Wise were fairly in disgrace. Roger A. Pryor is running for the rebel Congress, forsaking the army on the ground that there will be a suspension of hostilities during the winter.

It is reported that ex-Gov. Wise has been attacked by an illness of so severe a nature that his life is despaired of.

The commissioners of the World's Fair organized to-day by electing Secretary Seward chairman, and the Superintendent of the Census, Kennedy, secretary. Of the thirteen commissioners, Edward Everett only was absent, and he sent a letter of excuse. A committee was appointed to wait on the President with a request that he send a national vessel to England to convey such goods as American contributions may desire to exhibit.

Cairo, Oct. 4.—The steamer Grampus, with a flag of truce from the enemy at Columbus, Ky., Capt. Polk and Lieut. Smith of the rebel army, bearers of dispatches from Gen. Polk to Gen. Grant, asking the exchange of prisoners, came here to-day. The following is General Grant's reply:

"In regard to the exchange of prisoners proposed, I can, of my own accord, make none. I recognize no Southern confederacy, but will communicate with higher authority for their views."

Detachments from the 29th Illinois regiment, and the 2d Illinois dragoons, went to Shelby Thompson's farm in Missouri, yesterday, and seized 3,000 bushels of corn, a large number of horses, mules and cattle, and took two prisoners. Thompson is an officer in the rebel army.

SYRACUSE, Mo., Oct. 12.—The following is a special dispatch to the St. Louis Republican: Secretary Cameron, accompanied by Adjutant-Gen. Thomas, spent Saturday night at Jefferson City, and arrived in Tipton about 9 o'clock yesterday morning.

After breakfast in camp they rode over to this place, 6 miles, on horseback, accompanied by Gen. McKinstry. It is understood that Cameron is here at the request of the President to examine the condition of affairs in this Department, and that he professes himself highly gratified at the condition of Fremont's army.

SACRAMENTO, Oct. 23d.

By Overland Mail, which arrived at Outer Station yesterday morning, we have the following later news from the East:

The New Hampshire quota of troops is now full. The State is the first which has completed her levy of troops under the President's proclamation.

The Indian Agent for New Mexico has just arrived at Washington from the Territory. All the principal men of the Navajo Indians came in and made a treaty of peace with our government, with the exception of those of Arizona, of which a small force of Texans have possession, through the treachery of Col. Lowry. The Federal force there under Col. Canby, who commands that military department, is from 1200 to 1500. The citizens have raised three full regiments. The people are loyal to a man. There were no disturbances on the plains, and where stock was passing over the Indians were in the best possible humor, from the fact of their receiving presents.

A gunboat is in pursuit of the Nashville, which is reported to have run the blockade at Charleston on the 12th.

The Surveyor has seized the ship *Maid of New Orleans*, just arrived from Liverpool. The vessel is partly owned in New Orleans.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 6th.—This afternoon a detachment of 1,000 men from the Massachusetts 13th, and Col. Geary's Pennsylvania regiments crossed the river at Bolivar, attacked the rebels 1600 strong. After a sharp skirmish the Federal troops drove the enemy back from the river capturing a 13 pounder. Our loss 6 killed.

The U. S. steamer Townsend which has been off Chinatogue Islands has captured a dozen schooners which had not cleared.

Porosi, Oct. 13th.—The enemy was discovered approaching the bridge about 7 o'clock by a German; he gave the alarm, and our men numbering 400 or 500, prepared for action, although the force against us numbering 600, under lead of Jeff. Thompson. Our troops stood their ground and from a stone pile and other places of shelter did good execution. They were finally surrounded, however, and were obliged to surrender. Our loss, one killed and two wounded. Rebel loss five killed and four wounded badly. Federal prisoners, sworn not to bear arms against the South, and released. The Rebels then burnt the bridge and speedily retired.

The Times dispatch says "I think the Rebel army has fallen back entirely from the lines of Manassas and established a new line on the west side of the Rappahannock, their right-wing resting on Aquia creek and their left on the foot hills of Blue Mountain."

It is stated that the rebels have intercepted our preparations for a naval expedition really covering a contemplated attack on them.

BALTIMORE, Oct. 17.—Yesterday morning the rebels showed themselves on Bolivar Heights, at Harper's Ferry, and commenced an attack from artillery, with three companies under Maj. J. P. Gould, stationed on the north side of the Potomac. A constant firing was kept up for some hours, when three companies of the 3d Wisconsin Regiment crossed the river, and forming into line drove the enemy back and succeeded in capturing one of their heavy guns. They were compelled, however, to retreat, which they did in good order, as usual. They were reinforced by other companies, and then with Col. John Geary at their head, marched upon the enemy, and after hard fighting drove them from their position, and captured their 32-pounder, a Columbiad. Our forces had three pieces of artillery, and these were fired from this side of the river until the enemy retreated. The enemy had seven pieces of artillery, and 500 cavalry, together with their infantry, and were completely routed and driven back some three miles. Our loss, killed and wounded, 7; enemy's loss, 15. Col. Ashly, who was at the head of the enemy was among the slain.

RALEIGH, Mo., Oct. 16.—A sharp skirmish took place on Monday morning 20 miles this side of Lebanon. The companies belonging to Major Knight's battalion attached to Gen. Weyman's command, found 130 rebel cavalry. Knight surprised them by an attack on their rear, and completely routed them, killing 38 and taking 30 prisoners. Maj. K. lost 1 killed and 1 wounded.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Oct. 16.—A scout who arrived here to-night reported Price's army on Sunday at Clintonville, Cedar county, 25 miles south of Papillion village on the Carthage road. The whole army has effected the passage of the Osage and is still in full retreat.

NEW YORK, Oct. 17.—A fleet which sailed from this port on Sunday arrived at Old Point Monday, causing great excitement by its extensive character.

A flag of truce came down from Norfolk same day, but Gen. Wool refused to receive it.

Letters received here from Syracuse, Mo., Oct. 17, from Price's army state that Claib Jackson is at present very dispirited, and bordering on delirium tremens. He often raves about camp like a maniac.

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# THE BRITISH COLONIST

## TO ADVERTISERS.

All advertisements, under the time for which they are to be inserted, specified, will be continued until ordered out, and so charged.

Saturday Morning, Nov. 2, 1861.

### News.

Owing to the important character of the news by the Hecate last evening, our readers will excuse us for not giving our usual amount of local matter. The completion of the Overland Telegraph places us within three days of the Atlantic States. The completion of the telegraph has apparently taken every one by surprise. The repulse of the Federals at Edward's Ferry, the death of Senator Baker, and the removal of Fremont, are the principal items of news. The commotion in the States is more startling than ever. Among local news we regret to note the resignation yesterday of A. Waddington, Esq., member of the Assembly.

UNION H. K. AND LADDER COMPANY'S BALL.—This event, which came off at the Lyceum on Thursday night was a decided success. The arrangements made by the committee of management were first rate, and the decorations and general "get up" were in perfect good taste. About 12 o'clock the company adjourned to a *recherche* supper provided at the Hotel de France. His Excellency the Governor and family left towards the end of the first half of the programme. The band of H. M. S. Tapaze played a good selection of airs. The greater part of the company did not separate until a late hour in the morning.

LATER FROM BARCLAY SOUND.—The schooner Meg Merriles, Capt. Phamphlet, arrived yesterday, three and a half days from Alberni. The clipper ship Pocohontas had arrived from San Francisco to load lumber for England. The Starr King was also daily expected, having been chartered to take a cargo of lumber to Sydney, N. S. W. The Meg Merriles sighted two barks and an hermaphrodite brig bound up the Straits of Fuca.

THE LATE POSTMASTER.—A Victorian happened to meet Mr. John D'Ewes on board the Uncle Sam, just before she started, and was informed by that individual that he was merely going to England for a change of air, and would probably be back in three months. This looks healthy for his creditors!

HECATE.—We notice in our exchanges that H. M. S. Hecate, Capt. Richards, had arrived at San Francisco October 19th, from Mare Island dock yard, where she had been repairing the damage sustained near Cape Flattery. She may be expected here shortly.

ROW ON GOVERNMENT STREET.—Considerable excitement was caused yesterday on Government street, in the neighborhood of the Washington Restaurant, by a fight taking place between several Chinamen and a drunken white man who had broken one of their windows.

THE ENTERPRISE.—This steamer, with her usual regularity, arrived here yesterday morning. She left again in the course of the day. Among the passengers were the two recovered convicts in charge of an U. S. officer.

THE "SCRANTON."—This vessel left San Francisco three days before the Hecate, and a vessel answering her description was seen by them at the entrance of the Straits yesterday.

The Hecate left San Francisco on Sunday, put in Drake's Bay and started on Monday, making the passage in five days and nine hours.

FILIBUSTERING.—The Russians have taken possession of an island called Tsus Sinta, the key to the Sea of Japan. They had a slight skirmish with the Japanese forces.

THANKS.—To Mr. Moody, of the Victoria News Depot, Government street, for late English and American papers.

BAYLEY VS. COX.—This case was argued during the whole of yesterday, and was finally adjourned until the next sitting.

PRINCE NAPOLEON ON THE CRISIS.—This Prince is the son of Jerome Bonaparte,—not by his first wife, who was Miss Patterson,—and was the heir apparent to the throne of France until the birth of the Emperor's son. He thus writes of the affairs of the United States:

"I do not doubt that the present crisis, which exposes the wounds of Government, its impotence, its incapacity, and its thorough unpopularity, will be the beginning of a salutary and regenerative reaction. I do not pretend to predict the new political form under which America will pursue the career of her destinies; but this people has a vitality too great, a practical sense too powerful, resources too vast for us to fear that she will not profit wisely from the experience of the past; and that, like the extinct races, she will not be immovable in her errors, nor, to avoid them, throw herself into the opposite extreme."

The crisis will pass; the elements of vitality which America bears within her will give her strength to surmount it. Soon you will see this country greater, more full of the future than ever."

TAXES COMMAND.—Col. Geo. Wright, U. S. A., will take command of the Pacific Department, on and after to-day. Brig. Gen. Sumner leaves for the East on Oct. 24.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

**Union Hood & Ladder Co. No. 1**  
THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THIS Company for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year will take place on Wednesday the 4th inst., at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

JAMES R. ANDERSON,  
no2 Secretary.

**Wines and Spirits,**  
RECEIVED PER "RETRIEVER" AND OTHER LATE ARRIVALS:

**BRANDY**—Martell's Pale, in quarter casks;

Do do in dozen cases;

Levans' Co. do in do do;

Orard Dupuy & Co's Brown Brandy.

**RUM, 30 O.P.**—Superior Old Jamaica, in blds,

quarter casks and 12-gal kegs;

Do Extra quality, in dozen cases.

**SCOTCH WHISKY**—Superior quality, in one dozen cases;

**GIN**—Old Tom, in blds and quarter casks;

Do do in dozen cases.

**GENEVA**—In quarter casks and cases.

**SHERRY**—Duff Gordon Sherry, in quarter casks and octaves;

Page's Sherrys, in quarter casks and octaves;

Do do in dozen cases.

**PORT**—Sandeman's and Page's, in quarter casks, octaves and cases.

**HOCK AND MOSSELLE**—Sparkling Wines, in dozen cases.

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# THE BRITISH COLONIST

Saturday Morning, Nov. 2, 1861.

## House of Assembly.

FRIDAY, November 1, 1861.

The House met at 3 p.m., Dr. Tolmie brought up the question of placing a light at the mouth of the harbor and it was decided to bring up the bill at an early date.

The return of Mr. King as Member for Nanaimo was announced.

A portion of a letter from Mr. Waddington was read, and on the question whether his resignation should be accepted?

Mr. Franklin enquired whether the whole letter could not be read?

The Speaker said the letter was addressed to him as Speaker, and he had read all that was necessary. It would be an insult to the House to read all the matter contained in it.

Mr. Waddington's resignation was then accepted and a new writ ordered to be issued for Victoria District.

Mr. Cary's bill to simplify the present system of juries was introduced and read a first time.

An Act to amend the Trades' Licence Act, 1860, went through a Committee of the Whole. On the motion of Mr. Franklin, the payment of £5 licence was made half-yearly.

The House adjourned until Monday next at the usual hour.

## Mr. Waddington's Letter.

VICTORIA, Oct. 30, 1861.

MR. SPEAKER.—I beg to send in my resignation as member of the House of Assembly. My intention was to have done so immediately after the sitting of the 15th instant; but I thought it more proper to put an interval between the natural impulse of the moment and more mature reflection.

In a House of Assembly the only protection for the minority is in the strict observance of parliamentary rules; but when those laws are violated by the majority, and discussion arbitrarily put a stop to, even the semblance of representative government is at an end.

Under these circumstances, my conviction, sir, is stronger than ever that it has become my duty, both towards my constituents and myself, to resign.

I remain, etc.

ALFRED WADDINGTON.

**What Mr. J. T. Scott saw in Cariboo.** This well-known gentleman, who recently returned to New Westminster from Cariboo, where he had been on a tour of observation, writes a long letter to the *Columbian*, from which we extract following, which may be considered perfectly reliable:

"The next day, in company with a friend, I traveled some distance up and down Antler Creek, visiting several claims, and it struck me that if a few New Westminster croakers could witness for themselves what I saw, they would dry up on that old tune they have been harping at for the last two years. The best paying claim on Antler Creek is that of Dud Morelan & Co., which has paid as high as 40 oz to the hand per day. One day's work, the best they did, was 161 ounces. The next is that of Hazelton & Co., which has paid very well, and judging from the pleasant faces of the miners I should say that the majority of them on the creek have no reason to regret their trip to Cariboo. Having heard so much said about Williams' Creek, I shouldered my blankets next morning and started for the locality, distant 12 miles, over a very rough trail. \* \* \* \* \*

There are probably 350 miners on this creek, some of whom are doing exceedingly well, but out of the whole number I do not think there are one hundred washing pay dirt.

Steele & Co., while I was looking on, in three days' washing obtained the following result: First day, 278 ounces; second day, 256 ounces; third day, 285 ounces. This, I believe, is the best paying claim now working in Cariboo. Next comes Abbott & Co., who claim to have done the biggest day's work during the season, having taken out upwards of 296 ounces. The next is Fairbairn's claim, and these three claims, I believe, yield more gold than any other three in the country, although there are many others open which pay very well. On Lowhee Creek there are probably 70 men at work, most of them doing well. On Grouse Creek there are but four companies working, with average success. On Last Chance, Burns, and Chisholm Creeks, there are about 200 men doing very well. On Lightning Creek there are probably 200 men prospecting, but the claim of Ned Campbell & Co. is the only one, I think, that much will be taken out of this season. There are some 250 or 300 more men prospecting in the neighborhood of those creeks, who will likely obtain good claims for next season."

Since Mr. Scott left Cariboo, the miners have left, and are nearly all on the way down.

## Oregon.

Major General George B. McClellan received the honors of Masonry in the Willamette Lodge of Portland, in the winter of 1853-54.

The *Alta* of the 13th inst. says: A dispatch to the Chicago *Tribune*, dated September 21st, says that Senator Baker, who refused to be made a Brigadier General, has been appointed Major General of Volunteers, and of course vacates his seat in the Senate. It is somewhat strange that this announcement should come to us first by way of Chicago, and that is the reason that we doubt its correctness. If it be true, however, that Senator Baker has accepted the position of Major General of Volunteers he will have to resign his place in the Senate. —Advertiser.

## Canada.

A report was in circulation, says the Montreal *Herald* of August 31, that Kingston would be made a naval station.

The propeller *Banshee* had sunk about 90 miles above Kingston.

Mrs. Mountain, wife of the Lord Bishop of Quebec, is dead.

The Toronto *Globe* reports that changes will shortly take place among the Upper Canada Judges. Chief Justice Robinson will retire on a pension of two-thirds his salary; and it is reported that he will be appointed to the office of President of the Court of Appeal with £500 a year additional. The other changes are not yet announced, but it is nearly certain, says the *Globe*, that Mr. Draper becomes Chief of the Queen's Bench, and Mr. McLean Chief of the Common Pleas. It is said that Mr. Vankeoumet does not go on the Bench at present.

By "Pitch Darkness" has been so improved in later times as to read—"Bitumenous obscurity."

## Arrival of the "Hecate."

## LATE WAR NEWS!

### ENGAGEMENT AT EDWARDS FERRY.

### COLONEL BAKER KILLED!

### The Overland Telegraph Completed.

By the arrival of H. M. S. *Hecate* last evening from San Francisco with dates to the 25th, we are put in possession of news from the States to Oct. 24.

One of the greatest events of the age is the completion of the Overland Telegraph. A message can be sent from New York to San Francisco in three hours. The curious part of the matter is, that owing to the western longitude of San Francisco, the message apparently arrives three hours before it started. For instance, if it leaves New York at 12 M., it arrives at San Francisco at 9 A.M. of the same day. The first through dispatch was sent over the wires on October 24. The news below is by Overland Telegraph:

BALTIMORE, Oct. 19.

The venerable Thomas Wildes, the founder of Odd Fellowship, died very suddenly this morning.

It is stated that Beauregard intended to make no stand this side of Centreville on the heights of which, however, if followed, he would oppose the Union forces for a while, but when pressed would retire to his old position beyond Bull Run.

The Department of the West is to be reorganized and Fremont removed.

JEFFERSON CITY, Oct. 20.

At Lexington a body of rebels captured 100 Union men under Major White. The secession forces numbered 300 men.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 20.

Yesterday Mr. Seward assured a member of the diplomatic body that "the little affair" of the Southern insurrection would blow over within three months. The ports should be opened, and peace and prosperity reign.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21.

Gen. Stone crossed the Potomac this morning with a portion of his command at Edwards' Ferry, and the other at Harrison's Island. Skirmishing began between the enemy in uncertain numbers and a part of Gen. Stone's command as early as 9 o'clock this morning, and continued with much effect until 5 P.M., when large reinforcements of the enemy appeared upon our right, which was commanded by Col. Baker. The Union forces engaged were about 1800, and were attacked by a force supposed to number from 5000 to 6000; at this juncture Col. Baker fell at the head of his brigade while gallantly cheering on his men.

Immediately before he fell, he dispatched Major Young to Gen. Stone to apprise him of the condition of affairs, and General Stone immediately proceeded in person towards the right to take command, but in the confusion created by the fall of Col. Baker, the right wing sustained a repulse with considerable loss.

Gen. Stone reports that the right wing retired in good order. He will hold the approaches thereto.

Strong reinforcements will be sent to General Stone during the night.

The remains of Col. Baker were removed to Palestine, and will be brought to this city on Wednesday next.

The Harriet Lane arrived from Indian Head last night, reports new batteries erected at Mathias Point.

The Freeborn and Island Belle, in making a reconnaissance at Mathias Point yesterday, threw some shot into the woods. The fire was returned by some 18 heavy guns.

It is feared that the rebels have a number of sail boats and long boats concealed in creeks and inlets between Aquia creek and Occoquan Bay, and are busy building launches, either with a view to cross into Maryland or seize vessels coming up the Bay.

LEXINGTON, Mo. (no date.)

Col. Plummer's command, at Cape Girardeau, routed the rebels under Thompson and Lowe, estimated at 7000. Their loss was heavy, ours small, and confined principally to the 3d Indiana cavalry. We captured four heavy guns. Lowe, the rebel, was killed.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 22.

The death of Col. Baker has created intense excitement in this city. Flags are shrouded and at half-mast. The greatest anxiety prevails to hear further details of the engagement, among relatives of those in the California regiment, which is composed mostly of Philadelphians.

The United States Circuit Court has commenced the trial of W. W. Smith, a pirate of the Jeff Davis, who was captured on board the schooner —. Six of the jury have been selected.

The steamer Flag, off Charleston, saw a ship standing in, intending to run the blockade. She pursued her, when the vessel was run ashore, and all hands escaped before overtaking her. She proved to be the ship Watson, of Philadelphia, but now owned in Charleston, from Liverpool, laden with salt, flannel and blankets.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 22.

Flag-officer Craven has just arrived from the lower Potomac. He reports the river at that point effectively closed, rebel batteries commanding it at every point below Washington.

Gen. Harney still remains in the city, but it is reported he will soon be assigned to active service.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Oct. 22.

A courier arrived at Camp Dick Robinson early this morning, and reports there was fighting on the 21st between Zollicoffer and Col. Garrard—the latter encamped at Camp Wildcat with 1200 men. Zollicoffer had from 6000 to 7000. He made three different attacks during the day on the Camp, killing each time repulsed with considerable loss in killed and wounded. Just as the courier left Camp Wildcat, the 14th Ohio and a force of artillery arrived to reinforce Garrard.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 22.

The Washington Star's account of the fight at Edward's Ferry says both wings were attacked at 9 o'clock, A.M., but the enemy was repulsed wherever they appeared. About 5 P.M. the right wing found itself confronted by near 4000 of the enemy, under Gen. Evans with artillery. Gen. Baker gallantly headed the charge in which he was killed. The officer left in command immediately ordered the men to fall back on the river, where they would be supported by Gen. Stone and the portions of the army that had then effected a crossing. The men obeyed in good order, carrying off all the dead and wounded. In reaching the position selected, the right wing turned, though under the fire of the enemy, which gradually slackened up until midnight when the firing ceased. Throughout the night, the balance of Gen. Stone's force crossed the river and threw up temporary works that rendered his position secure, and enabled him to protect the crossing of the division of Gen. Banks to their aid this morning.

The object of Gen. Stone's movements was to enable his command, with Gen. Banks' division, to safely transferred to Virginia. Evans attacked Col. Baker in front and on both flanks. Col. Coggswell was probably taken prisoner.

The Tribune's dispatch says the report made by Adjutant-General Thomas of his examination into the administration of the Department of the West by Major-General Fremont, was this morning considered in full Cabinet meeting with the resistance which hesitates to injure a distinguished man and would disappoint the friends whom a popular leader gathers in his career. All the members of the Cabinet solemnly pronounced their judgments that the interests of Missouri and the Union required that Gen. Fremont should be superseded in his command by Gen. Hunter. The order to this effect will be issued to-morrow.

The Toronto *Globe* reports that changes will shortly take place among the Upper Canada Judges. Chief Justice Robinson will retire on a pension of two-thirds his salary; and it is reported that he will be appointed to the office of President of the Court of Appeal with £500 a year additional. The other changes are not yet announced, but it is nearly certain, says the *Globe*, that Mr. Draper becomes Chief of the Queen's Bench, and Mr. McLean Chief of the Common Pleas. It is said that Mr. Vankeoumet does not go on the Bench at present.

By "Pitch Darkness" has been so improved in later times as to read—"Bitumenous obscurity."

Our information so far, this morning, is that Gen. Banks' column arrived at Maryland landing, Edward's Ferry, last night, and have been crossing the river securely since daylight.

The President was greatly affected by the death of Col. Baker.

The latest news to-night is that the whole of Stone's column has crossed the Potomac, and is in full pursuit of the enemy, and General Banks' column had reached the river and would speedily follow and support Stone.

Information from Gen. Stone's command announces that the fight was a desperate one, and that large numbers were killed on both sides.

Although the enemy had a much stronger force, they were falling back before Gen. Stone's advance, and would have undoubtedly been routed but for the fall of Col. Baker, which produced a sudden confusion among our troops.

Gen. Banks, with his command, is supporting Gen. Stone, and being a Major-General, is in full command.

Gen. McClellan left for Gen. Banks' camp this morning.

It is stated that Baker was only ordered to make a reconnoissance, with instructions, if attacked, to fall back and not fight.

Gen. Baker made his will on Saturday last, and deposited it with Col. Webb, and when he left for the field he said to him: "I shall participate in battle in 48 hours. If I fall, I request you to take charge of my body."

An effort is making to supersede General McClellan with General Hallock, who is now on his way from California. This change would create a new revolution in military and civil circles, while the greatest confidence is entertained for Gen. McClellan.

Col. Geary reports that the four men who were killed at Bolivar Heights, were afterwards charged upon by the cavalry, stabbed through the body, and stripped of all their clothing. One was laid out in the form of a crucifix, with hands spread and cut through the palm with a dull knife.

It is understood that the blankets ordered in Europe, by the Quartermaster's Department, are arriving; 29,500 have already reached New York. They cost forty cents per pound, and each one weighs five pounds.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 22.

The funeral of Col. Baker will take place in this city to-morrow. Great preparations are making for the obsequies.

The N.Y. Times' dispatch says that at the Cabinet meeting to-day it was decided not to interfere, for the present, with Gen. Fremont and his command.

The special dispatch to the New York Commercial says it is raining very steadily here. The Potomac is rising, and military operations are suspended.

Reliable information from Virginia contains the story of discontent and murmuring not only in camp, but among all classes, of the management of affairs by the so-called Southern Government, which subjects them to continued sacrifices and privations, and bestows no advantages in return. It is believed that but for the overwhelming presence of the Southern army, Eastern Virginia would now be ready to return to loyalty.

It is well understood here that the reports of the intended interference with our blockade by European powers are for the most part an invention of speculators.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 23.

The success of the movement of Gen. Stone and Gen. Banks across the Potomac is now established, as the enemy did not venture to make further resistance to it yesterday. All accounts agree that our men conducted themselves nobly in the affair of Monday evening. The portion of the column which received a temporary check by the death of Col. Baker behaved gallantly, though opposed by a force triple their number. The ground thus gained was left in undisputed possession of our troops.

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.

The North Star brings the old officers and crew of the sloop-of-war Lancaster, and a million of treasure.

New Granada, excepting the States of Caucu, Antioquia and Santander, is now in arms against Mosquera.

The Panama Star has received intelligence by the British steamer from St. Thomas that the pirate Sumter is still cruising among the Windward Islands.

Dispatches say that the regiment of Col. Baker, together with those engaged with it, are said to have lost 300 in killed and wounded in the late action. Col. Baker, it is said, was a prominent mark for the enemy's bullets. He was struck by a ball in the heart, by four balls in various parts of the body, and by three in the head.

A telegraphic despatch from Gen. McClellan's headquarters is said to have been received at the War Office, at two o'clock, this afternoon, stating that Leesburg would be taken in an hour.

There has been sharp fighting in the neighborhood this morning.

It was also reported that Gen. Stone had crossed the Potomac, and was advancing with 50,000 men to Leesburg.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 24.

Gen. Halleck is now on his way to Washington from California; it is reported he will be assigned a high command in the army immediately on his arrival.

Gen. Scott's health is much impaired by advanced age, and severe bodily infirmities begin to set upon him.

Gen. Sherman arrived at Fortress Monroe on the Atlantic, on the 22d.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 24.

Information obtained from private letters estimates the loss in killed and wounded at Edwards' Ferry at 115.

The main portion of Sickles' brigade is now opposite the Confederate batteries, and it is said are preparing for offensive action against the rebels.

ROLLING MEADOWS, Mo., Oct. 24.

Lieut. Kirby, with 15 men of Major Wright's battalion, had another fight with 40 rebels near Linn on the 17th, killing 5 of them and wounding about a dozen.

Perry's army was at Greenfield last Wednesday, still heading South.

Europe.

NEW YORK, October 11.

The steamship Asia, from Liverpool, with dates to the 28th of September, via Queenstown to the 29th, arrived here this morning, with two days' later advices than those already received.

All American vessels in the Chinese waters had sailed for the United States with the exception of one small vessel, which was left at the earnest request of American merchants, and which proceeded suddenly to Shanghai, owing to the report that a schooner was being fitted out there for a privateer, under the Confederate flag.

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## Vancouver's Island.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE, 29th October, 1861.

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2. No name or mark is to be attached whereby the writer can be known by his Essay; but some distinctive motto is to be affixed.

3. A duplicate of the chosen motto is to be sent to the Colonial Secretary, marked on the outside of a sealed envelope, upon the inside of which is to be given the name of the writer of the Essay bearing such corresponding motto.

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5. After the Board has arrived at its decision and signified the same to the Colonial Secretary, the Colonial Secretary will forward to it the SEALED ENVELOPE bearing the motto corresponding to that of the chosen Essay. This envelope will be OPENED before the Board, and the name found therein signified to the Colonial Secretary.

Envelopes of unsuccessful competitors will be returned unopened; if desired; but all the Essays will remain the property of the Government.

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By order of the Governor,

WILLIAM A. G. YOUNG.

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(Short Title.)

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Passed the House of Assembly the 6th day of September, 1861.

E. BOWERS DOGGETT,  
Clerk of the House.

Passed the Council the 15th day of October, 1861.

JOSEPH PORTER,  
Acting Clerk of the Council.

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